

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Old Clothes' Party.

One of the most enjoyable and unique parties of the season was that given by Miss Grace Oakley Christmas evening at the pleasant home of her parents, Sixteenth and M streets. All the guests were original and novel costumes and the scene presented was very charming. Miss Grace Oakley, the fair hostess was bewitching as a crossing sweeper. She wore a tattered sleeveless gown, an old straw hat without a crown and carried a little broom.

Miss Stella Curtice was very winsome as an Italian street musician.

Miss Blanche Garten wore an 1830 costume, and Miss Ethel Hooper represented a beggar girl.

Miss Lucy Griffith represented a match girl, Miss May Moore a newspaper girl, Miss Jessie Leland a street singer and Miss Grace Burr appeared in a costume of 1860.

The other costumes were equally novel. Mr. Harry Lansing made an excellent colored dude.

Mr. Roy Chapman as a tramp, Mr. Oliver Lansing as a cow boy, Mr. Frank Kitchen as a fat man and Mr. Bert Davis as an Irish character were all excellent representations.

Mr. J. W. Maxwell and Mr. Will Meyer managed the games which were heartily indulged in by all present. At 10 o'clock Santa Claus made a brief visit dressed in fur. There were a number of spectators present, two or three of whom were surprised by accidentally getting under the mistletoe and having a black spot implanted on their cheeks by the colored dude.

The guests were: Misses Stella Curtice, Marie Marshall, Josephine Lotteridge, Kattie Kluttsch, Blanche Garten, Ethel Hooper, Lucy Griffith, May Moore, Grace Burr, Jessie Leland, Helen Hoover. Messrs. Harry Lansing, Bert Davis, Roy Chapman, Oliver Lansing, Frank Kitchen, Fred White, George Evans, Frank Cowdery, John Lotteridge, Guy Hurlbut, and Wilson Winger.

Pleasant Hour Party.

The holiday party of the Pleasant Hour club, which was given at the Lincoln hotel last evening, was largely attended, and was distinguished by its gayety—in keeping with the season. Special interest attached to this party inasmuch as it was the last regular club party to be given this winter, the season being unusually brief. There is some talk of subscription dances for the remaining winter months to take the place of those usually given by the club in January, February and March; but there are no definite plans as yet. Some very striking toilettes added to the brilliancy of last evening's event, and the party was pronounced one of the most enjoyable of the club's series.

Men in Society.

Judging from the accounts that reach this city, the scarcity of men in society in Omaha continues, with as yet no prospect of relief. At a recent dancing party in that city there were some eighteen or twenty "wall flowers," and the newspapers are echoing the cry for more men that goes up from the charmed circle. In Lincoln some of the young men who have heretofore taken an active interest in society are this season doing but little in a social way; but there is no noticeable preponderance of young women, and Lincoln girls have yet to experience the disagreeable sensation of being "driven to the wall," as the *World-Herald* puts it.

A Unique Entertainment.

President Howe, of the Capital City Cycling club, has issued the following invitation to members of the press and Lincoln wheelmen:

You are respectfully invited to attend a "hard time smoker" to be held in our club rooms at 1627 O street on Monday evening, January 1, 1894, at 8 or 10 o'clock or thereabouts.

There will be some turkey, ham sandwiches, cider, cob pipes, tobacco, music, fun etc., in bewildering profusion.

Any one appearing in a decent suit of clothes will be regarded with suspicion. A medal will be awarded to the hardest looking customer.

Be sure and come and bring a friend.

Will Banquet Tonight.

The following self-explanatory invitation has been issued to favored ones:

You are cordially invited and urged to present yourself at the council chamber on Saturday evening, December 30, to participate in a con supper, to be given by the police, newspaper men, et al. Kindly accompany yourself with an appetite of life size, but you needn't wear your claw-hammer. The opening argument will be made at 12 o'clock, and the attack will continue until everything is out of sight. In the language of Patsy Kinney: "Come, let us assemble together; eat, drink and be merry, for what man knoweth when he may strike a job and be compelled to work." P. H. Cooper, A. M. Bartram, E. B. Fairfield, committee.

Where the Wildes Live.

Within a stone's throw of the house once inhabited by the sage of Chelsea and Jane Welsh Carlyle stands the quaint Queen Anne mansion in which Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Wilde have elected to dwell. Even the most casual visitor cannot but notice how strangely differ-

ent to the average British house is the interior of the home of the one-time apostle of estheticism. To begin with, there is an utter absence of the so-called artistic coloring—dirty greens and moldy yellows are absent. Everything is dainty, neat and clean looking. A cream paneling forms the base of the whole scheme of decoration, and makes a delicate background for the beautiful things placed against it. Mrs. Oscar Wilde, though still quite a young woman, has won a place for herself in her husband's brilliant circle. Her masses of brown hair, deep blue eyes and fair skin would mark her anywhere as an English woman, and an hour's talk with her shows she has read and thought on the problems of the day. Entirely to her Oscar Wilde has left the training of their two sons, Cyril and Vivian, two singularly gifted children, who bid fair to carry on both the literary and artistic traditions of the family.

Will Celebrate Their Golden Wedding.

Mr. B. F. Burr and Miss Adeline Barber were married in Union Grove, De Kalb county, Ill., January 1 1844. Consequently the first of next January will be the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding. Arrangements have been made for the appropriate celebration of this interesting event at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Burr, Monday afternoon and evening. Including the families of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Burr, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Burr, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Burr, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Sheldon of this city, and Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Burr, of Alma Neb., it is expected that twenty-seven intimate relatives will join in celebrating the golden wedding.

Academy of Sciences.

The closing session of the Nebraska academy of sciences was held at the university Wednesday. First on the program was the election of officers. Dr. C. E. Bessey was re-elected president; Dr. G. D. Swezey, vice president; Professor B. Duncanson, treasurer; Professor L. Bruner, custodian; Professor Sewell and Miss Rose Bouton, directors. A number of papers were read after the election of officers.

Century Club.

The Century club met Tuesday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. R. H. Howell, Sixteenth and L streets. The following program was given: "The French Revolution, 1789-1794," Mrs. J. W. Winger; "Celebrated Women of the Revolution," Mrs. D. A. Campbell; "Madame de Stael, 1786-1817," Mrs. Hartley; lecture on the French Revolution.

New Bradley-Martin Wrinkle.

The Bradley-Martins never do things like other people, and the fact that they should have sent cards to their acquaintances in New York city announcing the heads of game killed during one week at Balmacaan, is only another proof of their passion for notoriety. Anyone else might have referred to exceptionally good sport in a letter to a friend, but the idea of emitting printed cards can have suggested itself to none but those who desired them to reappear in the papers. I marvel much whether the list of the "very fashionable people in need" which precedes the summing-up of the game was also an emanation from the American laird's brain. The "very fashionable people indeed" do not read so particularly well, and are by no means so impressive when one comes to scan the list. Craven, being a son in-law, was there; Lord Chesterfield, a poor man, and Craven's great friend, who was at one time frequently being announced as engaged to certain American heiresses; then there was Lord Terence Blackwood, whose recent espousal of Miss Flora Davis probably caused his presence, and the house party was completed by the crowd of nobodies generally to be found at Balmacaan, on account of the spare bedrooms having to be tenanted, I presume, and lest, perchance, the two Earls should be bored by the paucity of fellow men. I might mention, by the way, that the bag was not at all extraordinary as shooting goes nowadays, and in nowise warranted the universal notoriety the cards have achieved. Still the purpose was accomplished, and that, after all, is the main thing.—Town Topics.

Bartruff-Greenman.

Christmas day, in Chicago, Mr. Harry Goodwin Bartruff and Miss Minette Louise Greenman were united in marriage. Mr. Bartruff is a son of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Bartruff of this city, and up to a couple of years ago, was a resident of Lincoln, being connected with THE COURIER for several years. He is an energetic and capable young man, and he has been very successful in his new home. He is traveling auditor for the Singer Manufacturing company, with headquarters in Chicago. Miss Bessie Bartruff, of this city, attended the wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Bartruff are at home at 6309 Harvard street, Chicago.

Church-Lewis.

Mr. Abel Church, manager of the Lansing theatre advertising bureau, was quietly married to Miss Sadie Lewis Saturday evening at the parsonage of the First Baptist church, by Rev. O. A. Williams. After the ceremony the bridal party repaired to the home of Mrs. Charles Heffley, sister of Mr. Church, 1829 N street, where a bountiful wedding supper was served.

Chicago's Charity Ball.

Chicago people have been congratulating themselves for a week past on having secured the services of Mr. Hobart C. Chatfield-Taylor as mana-

ger of the annual Charity Ball that is to be held at the Auditorium January 8. This is the first time that Mr. Chatfield-Taylor has served in this capacity, and the result of his efforts is awaited with confidence by his numerous admirers. Mr. Chatfield-Taylor's first step was a radical and, in view of the hard times, a popular one. Heretofore, a Chicagoan desirous of attending the Charity Ball has been called upon to pay \$10 for a ticket—as the saying goes in Prairie avenue, "for self and dame." This year, however, Mr. Chatfield-Taylor has decreed that the "ten" shall admit the holder of the ticket, and two ladies instead of one; which, as my friend Mr. Samuel Allerton truthfully observes, is "giving every gent the best of a show for his white alley." I cannot too strongly endorse some of the mild ukases that Mr. Chatfield-Taylor has seen fit to promulgate with a view to the proper and decorous government of the ball. Included in these is one order to the effect that the eating of cold pig's feet—a favorite Chicago delicacy—between the figures of square dancers shall not be permitted before 11:30 p. m., and another absolutely prohibiting the wearing of a silk handkerchief stuffed in the neck to protect the dancer's collar in the heat of a waltz. This last fashion has become so common in high Chicago society of recent years that Mr. Chatfield-Taylor, I understand, felt compelled to put a stop to it. "If," as he wisely says, "a chap wants to be in style all the evening, let him bring an extra collar with him; or, better still, let the fellows who perspire in the neck keep off the floor altogether."—Town Topics.

Jole de Vie Club.

The Jole de Vie club was entertained last Friday evening at the residence of Mr. James Michael. Those present were: Messrs. and Mesdames J. A. Cauger, Marquis, John Aron, G. M. Smith, G. H. Wilcox, C. F. Barros, J. A. Dempster, S. C. Waters, Miss Emma Moffit and Mr. Sweeney. The club met again last evening at the residence of Mr. J. A. Cauger, 1018 K street.

Cooking Club.

The W. E. C. Cooking club met last Saturday afternoon, with the following members present: Misses Edith Parish, Stella Curtice, Ella Mathews, Florence Marley, Mabel Metcalf, Maude Lyon, Blanche Garten, Etta Parish, Georgia Camp, Daisy Cochran, Grace Hunt, singer and Lizzie Smith. The good things were contributed to the needy.

Society as It Is Painted.

What a horrible, hideous thing "society" is—on the stage! What powerfully wondrous magnifying glasses it is seen through! But why call it "society"—except as a drawing card? "The Crust of Society" is not society at all, but the brazen counterfeit of it, and as consistently might brass be called gold. True, there are just such women as Mrs. Eastlake Chapel and Mrs. Ernestine Echo occasionally unmasked in real society; but they are promptly cast out, as Chicago and every other city is frequent witness? How impossible for these human counterfeits to remain in the real strata, any more than spurious coin can remain in circulation! Society—the real, pure thing, which, thank God, exists in this country—is criminally libeled by these revolting plays—"Diplomacy," "Lady Windermere's Fan," "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray," "A Woman of No Importance," and similar importations. I would like to know what moral or purpose American society is bequeathed by these shocking scenes and sounds, which must be past belief in a general audience, for depravity has not yet attained this goal on our soul.—The Chicago 400.

La Nuevitad Club.

Miss Grace Burr entertained La Nuevitad whist club last Friday evening. Those present were: Misses Lucy Griffith, May Moore, Helen Hoover, Grace Oakley, Jo Lotteridge, Jessie Leland, Stella Curtice, Blanche Garten; Messrs. John Lotteridge, Oliver Lansing, Roy Chapman, Henry Lansing, Harry Evans, Ross Curtice, Bert Davis, Fred White, Frank Cowdery and Park Garroute.

Olympic Whist Club.

The Olympic Whist club was entertained by Mr. Wilson Winger Wednesday evening. Those present were: Messrs. Harry Evans, Harry Harley, Arthur Walsh, Homer Honeywell, Will Raymond, Harry Grupe, Park Garroute, Roy Chapman, Frank Kitchen; Misses May Moore, Ada Heaton, Grace Huntington, Ethel Hooper, Eleanor Raymond, Dora Harley, Daisy Cochran, Jo Winger, Marie Marshall and Florence Winger. The next assembling of the club will occur January 12, at the residence of Mr. Harry Harley.

Will Sing In Grand Opera.

A letter from Miss C. C. Tennant Clary furnishes some definite information concerning the promised season of grand opera in English in this city, announced for next May. Miss Clary says that the opera company, which will come here immediately after the Omaha operatic season, and thence to the other cities embraced in the Western Opera association, will include Madame Marie Tavy and Miss Carlotta Maconda, prima donna sopranos; Miss Helena von Doenhoff, prima donna contralto; Mr. Payne Clark and Baron Berthold, first tenors; Mr. Percy Averell and Mr. S. Dudley, baritones; Mr. Conrad Behrens, first basso. The company will number forty people, in addition to the orchestra, which will be under the

direction of Professor Max Maretzek, of Omaha, musical director for the association. There will also be a large vocal chorus, which will be thoroughly drilled by Mr. H. J. W. Seamark and Professor Maretzek. It is proposed to produce three different operas, to be chosen from the following: "Faust," "Trovatore," "Carmen," "Ernani," "Lucia," "Traviata," "Ricoletto," "Martha," "Cavalleria Rusticana."

Minor Mention.

The following young ladies will receive callers on New Year's day at the residence of the Misses Georgia and Pearl Camp, 1119 K street: Misses A. A. Heaton, Blanche Garten, Pearl Camp, Nella Cochran, Grace Huntsinger, Georgia Camp, Maud Rathburn, Agnes Sewall, Helen Gregory, Stella Curtice, May Moore, Emma Sherwood and Lena Dewese; receiving from 3 to 8 p. m.

Miss Alice Barler and Mr. Will H. Bowman, of Beatrice, were united in marriage Wednesday evening, at Beatrice. The bride is quite well known in this city, having visited here frequently. Mr. and Mrs. Rezin Welch and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bigger, of this city attended the wedding.

Mr. Tom Wing, who has been connected with the construction department of the B. & M. railway company since last spring, was home for a few days this week. Mr. Wing's headquarters are now at Spearfish.

Skating has become a very popular sport among society people. There were a great many informal skating parties this week at Lincoln Park and Salt Lake.

Honorable Church Howe who has been at the Lincoln hotel several weeks, following a dangerous surgical operation, has returned to Howe Neb.

Mr. W. E. Burlingame and family have transferred their allegiance from Omaha to Lincoln, and are now permanently established in this city.

Miss Mabel Pratt, of Omaha, came to Lincoln to attend the Pleasant Hour party last night. She is the guest of Miss Anne Funke.

Misses Jeanette and Mary Underwood and Miss Webster were the guests of Miss Ura Kelley in Omaha this week.

Mrs. Barr Parker provided a bountiful Christmas dinner for about seventy urchins.

Miss Anne Funke returned last Friday from a several week's visit in Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Leonard entertained a few friends Monday evening at whist.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Snow spent Christmas with their many friends in this city.

The Empire club will give a phantom party at the Lansing hall Monday night.

Miss Lyle Alexander, of Omaha, is the guest of Mrs. S. H. Burnham.

Miss Henrietta Hawley is spending the holidays in Nebraska City.

Miss Tukey, of Omaha, is in the city, the guest of Miss Mae Burr.

Sorosis met Thursday afternoon of this week.

Mr. C. E. Waite spent Christmas in Beatrice.

Mr. Elmer E. Henkle is in Chicago.

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